

What is claimed is:

- 1 1. A method for conducting searches on a terminal coupled to a network,
2 the terminal including a display for rendering pages from the network, the
3 method comprising:
 - 4 identifying a plurality of network addresses, each of the network
5 addresses locating a corresponding page that matches a search criteria;
 - 6 arranging the corresponding page for each of the network addresses
7 according to a sequence, the sequence providing that the corresponding page for
8 at least one of the network addresses is followed by a subsequent page for
9 another network address in the plurality of network addresses;
 - 10 rendering the corresponding page for at least one of the network
11 addresses on the display; and
 - 12 signaling the subsequent page to be rendered on the display while the
13 corresponding page for at least one of the network addresses is rendered on the
14 display.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein signaling the subsequent page to be
2 rendered includes automatically rendering the subsequent page after the
3 corresponding page for at least one of the network addresses is rendered.
- 1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein signaling the subsequent page to be
2 rendered is responsive to receiving a user-input while the corresponding page
3 for at least one of the network addresses is rendered.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the sequence is affected by relevance
2 of the corresponding pages to the search criteria.

1 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the subsequent page is rendered on the
2 display so that a transition from a previous page appears to be animated.

1 6. A method for conducting searches on a network, the method comprising:
2 signaling a search request over the network to a search engine;
3 receiving a search result that identifies a plurality of network addresses;
4 and
5 automatically rendering multiple pages located by network addresses in
6 the search result.

1 7. The method of claim 6, wherein automatically rendering multiple
2 network pages includes displaying each of the multiple pages according to a
3 sequence.

1 8. The method of claim 7, wherein the sequence indicates a measure of
2 relevance between the page located by each of the network addresses and the
3 search request.

1 9. The method of claim 7, wherein the sequence is predetermined.

1 10. The method of claim 6, wherein automatically rendering multiple
2 network pages includes displaying each of the multiple pages according to a
3 sequence determined by the search engine.

1 11. A method for conducting searches on a network, the method comprising:
2 signaling a search request over the network to a plurality of search
3 engines;

4 receiving a plurality of search results, each of the plurality of search
5 results being signaled from one of the search engines, each search result
6 identifying a plurality of network addresses;
7 sorting the search results from the plurality of search engines; and
8 automatically rendering multiple pages located by network addresses in
9 each of the search results.

1 12. The method of claim 11, wherein sorting the search result includes
2 selecting an order for the search results based on a preference of a user.

1 13. The method of claim 11, wherein sorting the search results includes
2 ordering the network addresses in the search result by mixing network addresses
3 from each search result with network addresses from the other search results in
4 the plurality of search results.

1 14. A method for conducting searches over a network, the method
2 comprising:
3 signaling a search request to a search engine;
4 receiving a search result that identifies a plurality of network addresses;
5 displaying a first page from a first network address in the plurality of
6 network addresses; and
7 automatically displaying at least a subsequent page from a second
8 network address in the plurality of network addresses.

1 15. The method of claim 14, further comprising automatically
2 displaying a plurality of subsequent pages in a sequence, each subsequent page

3 being from a corresponding network address in the plurality of network
4 addresses.

1 16. The method of claim 15, wherein displaying a plurality of subsequent
2 pages in a sequence includes displaying each of the plurality of subsequent
3 pages for a duration before automatically displaying a next page in the plurality
4 of subsequent pages.

1 17. The method of claim 14, wherein automatically displaying at least a
2 subsequent page includes displaying the subsequent page with the subsequent
3 page without the first page.

1 18. The method of claim 17, further comprising automatically displaying a
2 plurality of subsequent pages in a sequence, each subsequent page being from a
3 corresponding network address in the plurality of network addresses, and each
4 subsequent page being displayed replacing a previously displayed page from
5 one of the plurality of network addresses.

1 19. A method for conducting searches over a network, the method
2 comprising:

3 locating a plurality of network addresses in response to a search request
4 from a user;

5 displaying a user-interface;

6 displaying a first page located by a first network address;

7 receiving a signal from the user interacting with the user-interface while
8 the first page is displayed; and

9 displaying a second page in response to receiving the command.

1 20. The method of claim 19, wherein displaying a user-interface includes
2 displaying a plurality of selectable controls, including a first feature for enabling
3 the user to select a next page from the plurality of network pages.

1 21. The method of claim 20, further comprising displaying a second feature
2 enabling the user to select a previous page that was already displayed.

1 22. A method for conducting searches on a terminal coupled to a network,
2 the terminal including a display for viewing pages, the method comprising:

3 signaling a search request over the network to a search engine;
4 receiving a search result that identifies a plurality of network addresses,
5 the plurality of network addresses including a first network address and a
6 second network address;

7 rendering a first page from the first network address on the display;
8 caching a second page from the second network address while the first
9 page is being rendered; and

10 automatically rendering the second page on the display after caching the
11 first page.

1 23. The method of claim 22, further comprising automatically rendering the
2 first page from the first network address on the display.

1 24. The method of claim 22, wherein rendering the second page after
2 caching the first page includes replacing the first page with the second page on
3 the display after a duration has elapsed.

1 25. The method of claim 22, further comprising caching a plurality of
2 subsequent pages while the first page or the second page is being displayed.

1 26. The method of claim 25, further comprising displaying each of the
2 subsequent pages after the subsequent pages are cached.

1 27. The method of claim 25, further comprising displaying the subsequent
2 pages automatically and sequentially after the subsequent pages are cached, so
3 that each subsequent page is rendered on the display without another subsequent
4 page being rendered.

1 28. A method for conducting searches over a network, the method
2 comprising:

3 signaling a search request over the network to a search engine;
4 receiving a search result that identifies a plurality of network addresses;
5 for each network address in the plurality of network addresses, verifying
6 that each network address locates a corresponding page; and
7 signaling a browser only the network addresses that are verified as
8 locating corresponding network pages so as to automatically render at least one
9 of the corresponding pages.

1 29. The method of claim 28, further comprising automatically rendering
2 only the corresponding pages of the verified network addresses.

1 30. A method for conducting searches over a network, the method
2 comprising:

3 signaling a search request over the network to a search engine;

4 receiving a search result that identifies a plurality of network addresses;
5 determining a set of network addresses in the plurality of network
6 addresses that are selectable to render corresponding pages; and
7 automatically rendering the corresponding pages from network
8 addresses in the set of network pages.

1 31. The method of claim 30, further comprising caching each the network
2 addresses in the set of network addresses before rendering a corresponding page
3 for that network address.

1 32. The method of claim 31, including caching at least one of the network
2 addresses while displaying another one of the network addresses in the set of
3 network addresses.

1 33. The method of claim 32, wherein determining a set of network addresses
2 that are selectable includes excluding any network address in the plurality of
3 network addresses that is broken or unavailable.

1 34. A system for conducting searches over a network, the system
2 comprising:

3 a browser that renders a page located by a network address;
4 a search module coupelable to a search engine to signal the search
5 engine a search request, and to receive a search result in response to signaling
6 the search request, the search module signaling a plurality of network addresses
7 in the search result to the browser so that each of the plurality of network
8 addresses is rendered automatically by the browser.

1 35. The system of claim 34, wherein the search module signals the plurality
2 of network addresses so that each of the plurality of addresses is rendered
3 sequentially.

1 36. A system for conducting searches over a network, the system
2 comprising:

3 a browser that renders a page located by a network address;
4 a search module coupelable to a search engine to signal the search
5 engine a search request, and to receive a search result in response to signaling
6 the search request, the search result comprising a plurality of network addresses
7 from the search result to the browser; and
8 a user-interface including a first feature that is selectable while the
9 browser is displaying a first page from a first network address in the search
10 result to cause the browser to render a second page from a second network
11 address in the search result.

1 37. The system of claim 36, wherein the search module automatically
2 signals the first network address to the browser to cause the browser to
3 automatically display the first page.

1 38. The system of claim 37, wherein the first feature is selectable to cause a
2 plurality of subsequent network addresses in the search result to be signaled to
3 the browser.

1 39. The system of claim 38, wherein the plurality of subsequent network
2 addresses are signaled to the browser so that the browser sequentially displays a
3 page for each of the plurality of subsequent network addresses.

1 40. The system of claim 39, wherein the browser sequentially replaces a
2 previous page of a previous network address in the search result with a page of
3 a subsequent network address in the search result.

1 41. The system of claim 36, wherein the user-interface includes a second
2 feature that is selectable to cause a browser to display a previously displayed
3 page of a previous network address in the plurality of network addresses.

1 42. A system for conducting searches over a network, the system
2 comprising:
3 a browser that renders a page located by a network address;
4 a search module coupelable to a search engine to signal the search
5 engine a search request, and to receive a search result in response to signaling
6 the search request, the search result comprising a plurality of network addresses,
7 the search module signaling the plurality of network addresses to the browser so
8 that each of the plurality of network addresses is rendered; and
9 a caching module that automatically caches a page of a subsequent
10 network address in the search result while a page corresponding to another one
11 of the plurality of network addresses is displayed.

1 43. The system of claim 42, wherein the search module causes the browser
2 module to automatically render the page located by each one of the plurality of
3 network addresses.

1 44. The system of claim 42, further comprising a user-interface including a
2 first feature that is selectable to cause the browser module to render a
3 subsequent page of a subsequent network address in the plurality of network
4 addresses while displaying a previous page from another network address in the
5 plurality of network addresses.

1 45. The system of claim 44, wherein the first feature is selectable to cause
2 the search module to signal the browser the subsequent network page.

1 46. A system for conducting searches over a network, the system
2 comprising:
3 a browser that renders a page located by a network address;
4 a search module coupelable to a search engine to signal the search
5 engine a search request, and to receive a search result in response to signaling
6 the search request, the search result comprising a plurality of network addresses,
7 the search module signaling the plurality of network addresses to the browser so
8 that each of the plurality of network addresses is rendered; and
9 a verification module that identifies whether at least some of the
10 plurality of network addresses locate corresponding pages.

1 47. The system of claim 46, wherein the verification module loads each of
2 the plurality of network addresses into the browser to determine if each of the
3 network addresses locate a corresponding page.

1 48. The system of claim 47, wherein the browser is coupleable to the
2 verification module to be signaled only the network addresses in the plurality of
3 network addresses that are verified to locate the corresponding pages.

1 49. The system of claim 46, further comprising a caching module that
2 automatically caches a page of a subsequent network address in the search result
3 while a page corresponding to another one of the plurality of network addresses
4 is displayed.